



Washington

Center for Childhood Deafness and Hearing Loss

Teacher of the Deaf Tacoma Area

Opening Date: August 13, 2012

Closing Date: August 24, 2012

School-year position

This is a temporary full-time position through the end of the 2012-2013 school year. This outreach position reports to the Outreach Director and is responsible for serving deaf and hard-of-hearing students. The teacher appointed to this position will be deployed to the Tacoma area and will have periodic responsibilities on-site at the Washington School for the Deaf.

Job Postings

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Human Resources

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SALARY: Appointments within this class depend on the educational qualifications and experience of the person appointed. The annual salary range is \$45,045 - \$62,955 based on 180 working days.

PRIMARY DUTIES (including but not limited to):

- * Promote the appropriate use of state of the art hearing technology to ensure maximum benefits of auditory stimulation .
- * Create and maintain an environment that supports the students' primary mode of communication for the acquisition of language throughout the child's daily activities.
- * Guide and coach parents to become effective facilitators of their child's language development throughout the child's daily activities.
- * Provide effective teaching with families and children in settings such as homes, classrooms, therapy rooms, recess and other outside settings as needed.
- * Provide focused and individualized instruction to the child through lesson plans and classroom activities while maximizing the primary mode of communication and language acquisition
- * Collaborate with parents and professionals to develop goals, objectives and strategies for achieving the natural developmental patterns of audition, speech, language, cognition, and communication.
- * Use diagnostic assessments to develop individualized education plans, monitor progress and to evaluate the effectiveness of the teaching activities.
- * Promote education in regular classrooms with peers who have typical hearing when the child has the skills to do so.
- * Guide and coach parents to become the primary facilitators of their child's communication and language development through active consistent participation with them and the classroom.
- * Guide and coach parents to create environments that support effective communication for the development of language and academics.
- * Maintains professional competence through continuing education activities; maintains certification; participates in professional development as needed or assigned
- * Performs related duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:

- * Knowledge of assessment of individuals using procedures appropriate to their receptive and expressive language skills, cognitive abilities and behavioral functioning.
- * Knowledge of the structure of the learning environment, including classroom acoustics and implications for learning.
- * Knowledge of written and verbal interpretation of auditory assessment results and implications appropriate for the intended audience, such as parents, teachers, physicians and other professionals.
- * Knowledge of communication systems and language used by individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing.
- * Knowledge of school systems, multidisciplinary teams and community resources.

- * Ability to consult and collaborate with classroom teachers and other professionals regarding the relationship of hearing and hearing loss to the development of academic and psychosocial skills.
- * Ability to support for enhancing the development of auditory functioning and oral communication skills as appropriate.
- * Ability to recommend appropriate modifications of instructional curricula and academic methods, materials and facilities.
- * Ability to participate as a team member in the management of communication treatment for individuals who qualify for special education services as a deaf or hard of hearing.
- * Ability to transition between levels, schools, programs and agencies.
- * Ability to consult with family and student who is deaf or hard of hearing, including emotional support, information about hearing loss and its implications; interaction strategies to maximize communication and psychosocial development.
- * Ability to implement in-service training for staff and support personnel.
- * Effective interpersonal and communication skills.

BASIC REQUIREMENTS:

- * Master's Degree in Deaf Education from an accredited college or university; experience as a Deaf and Hard of Hearing Teacher with emphasis on signing as the mode of communication; in-depth knowledge and understanding of hearing loss as well as speech acoustics.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

- Background inquiries of convictions and pending criminal charges shall be completed on applicants prior to the appointment to positions at the Washington School for the Deaf. Information obtained from background inquiries will not necessarily preclude employment but will be considered in determining the applicant's character, suitability and competence to perform in the position applied for and may result in a denial of employment. Applicants will be required to sign a release authorizing the background inquiry. Failure to do so may disqualify the applicant from employment.
- Applicants must submit official transcripts and copies of credentials to the Human Resources office.
- If claiming Veteran's preference, applicant must submit a copy of DD-214 form.
- It is a condition of employment that, at the time of appointment to this position, the successful candidate is required to become a member of the local union shop.

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed application, official transcripts, letters of recommendation, and copies of credentials online at: careers.wa.gov

Applications are accessible on the internet at careers.wa.gov or by contacting the Human Resources office at (360) 696-6525 ext 4326 (V/TTY) or by email at jessica.sydnor@wsd.wa.gov.

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